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-Meeting Notice-

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## **Water Use Efficiency (WUE) Program Agricultural Water Use Measurement Panel Meeting**

### **Meeting Date and Location**

June 9, 2003: 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Main Conference Room  
California Farm Bureau Federation  
2300 River Plaza Drive  
Sacramento, CA

### **Background:**

The California Bay Delta Program is a cooperative effort among State and Federal agencies and the public to ensure a healthy ecosystem, reliable water supplies, good quality water, and stable levees in California's Bay-Delta system. The Water Use Efficiency (WUE) Program is one of several Program elements CALFED is implementing through an integrated approach. The August 2000 CALFED Record of Decision called for the Water Use Efficiency Program to develop a definition of appropriate water use measurement and then work with the California Legislature to implement any necessary changes. The WUE Program has convened an Independent Review Panel to help it define appropriate measurement as it relates to agricultural water use.

### **Meeting Purpose:**

CALFED is convening the third and final session of the Independent River Panel. The Panel, consisting of six multi-disciplinary experts, will be developing a draft definition of appropriate agricultural water use measurement. The draft definition is to include recommendations related to the appropriate measurement of surface water diversions and return flows, groundwater, crop consumption, in-stream flows, water quality and farm-gate turnouts. There will be several opportunities for the public to comment on the proposed definition and inform the Panel's final set of deliberations.

### **Panel Meeting Agenda (*times are approximate and subject to change*):**

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| 1. Welcome, Introductions and Agenda Overview                    | 9:00 a.m.  |
| 2. Panel Deliberations ( <i>with public comment</i> )            | 9:30 a.m.  |
| 3. Lunch Break   | 12:00 p.m. |
| 4. Additional Panel Deliberations ( <i>with public comment</i> ) | 12:30 p.m. |
| 5. Wrap Up and Next Steps  | 3:00 p.m.  |
| 6. Public Comment  | 3:15 p.m.  |
| 7. Adjourn   | 3:30 p.m.  |

### **For More Information:**

- Panel meeting materials may be accessed on the World Wide Web at:  
<http://calwater.ca.gov/Programs/WaterUseEfficiency/WaterUseEfficiency.shtml>
- Directions: If you need detailed directions or other information related to the Panel meeting, please contact Hilda Smith at (916) 445-5461.
- If you need reasonable accommodation due to a disability, please contact Pauline Nevins, of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program at (916) 445-5511 or TDD (800) 735-2929.

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The Resources Agency  
Department of Water Resources  
Department of Fish and Game  
The Reclamation Board  
Delta Protection Commission  
Department of Conservation  
San Francisco Bay Conservation  
and Development Commission

California Environmental Protection Agency  
State Water Resources Control Board  
Department of Health Services  
Department of Food and Agriculture

#### **Federal**

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Bureau of Reclamation  
Fish and Wildlife Service  
Geological Survey  
Bureau of Land Management  
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Army Corps of Engineers

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Department of Commerce  
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